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SUBJECT: FRENCH PARTICIPATION IN LOS-TUNA TALKS

1. DURING DISCUSSIONS OF AMBASSADOR MOORE WITH CHILEANS IN SANTIAGO CONCERNING THE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE LOS-TUNA MEETING IN NEW YORK FROM SEPTEMBER 29-OCTOBER 10, THE CHILEANS, PRESUMABLY FOR REASONS CONCERNING BILATERAL RELATIONS, INDICATED THEY WOULD URGE THE ECUADORIANS TO AGREE TO FRENCH PARTICIPATION ON SAME BASIS AS JAPANESE. THAT IS, WE WOULD NOTIFY THE FRENCH OF THE UPCOMING MEETING WITHOUT EXTENDING THEM A FORMAL INVITATION AND INDICATE THAT DURING THE FIRST SESSION WE WILL SEEK TO HAVE THEM INCLUDED IN THE MEETING WITH THE EXPECTATION THAT THE ECUADORIANS WOULD NOT OBJECT.

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2. DURING LUNCH HOSTED BY AMBASSADOR POPPER NEXT DAY, THE CHILEANS SEEMED TO SUGGEST THIS HAD ALREADY BEEN DONE AND THAT ECUADORIANS NOW AGREED TO INCLUSION OF FRENCH ON SAME BASIS AS JAPANESE.

3. FOR QUITO: SINCE WE HAVE SOUGHT FRENCH AS WELL AS JAPANESE PARTICIPATION IN TUNA TALKS YOU SHOULD INFORM HOST GOVERNMENTS THAT DURING OUR DISCUSSIONS IN SANTIAGO CHILEANS AGREED TO DETAILS AS WE DISCUSSED IN QUITO, EX-

CEPT THEY AFFIRMATIVELY SOUGHT INCLUSION OF FRENCH ON SAME BASIS AS JAPANESE. IF ECUADORIANS CONCUR WE WILL NOTIFY FRENCH OF TALKS DURING FIRST MEETING AND SEEK AN INVITATION FOR THEM TO PARTICIPATE. EMBASSY SHOULD MAKE CLEAR WE PREPARED TO LIVE BY ARRANGEMENTS AGREED QUITO ON THIS ISSUE AND RAISE IT AGAIN ONLY IN VIEW OF CHILE RAISING ISSUE. IF ECUADORIANS AGREE EMBASSY SHOULD NOTIFY EMBASSY PARIS IMMEDIATELY. EMBASSY MIGHT ALSO WISH TO CONVEY TO HOST GOVERNMENT THAT CHILEANS VERY POSITIVE ON THE TALKS AND THAT THEY FELT PARTICULARLY STRONGLY THAT WE SHOULD HAVE PAPERS FOR GALINDO-POHL TO USE TO FOCUS TALKS ON BOTH ISSUES. -

4. FOR PARIS: IF EMBASSY QUITO NOTIFIES YOU THAT ECUADORIANS CONCUR YOU SHOULD NOTIFY MONSIEUR JEANNEL OF SCHEDULED TALKS AND INDICATE THAT US WILL SEEK ON FIRST DAY OF MEETING FOR INCLUSION OF FRENCH IN TALKS WITH EXPECTATION THAT THERE WILL BE NO OBJECTION. YOU SHOULD ALSO INDICATE THAT PURPOSE OF TALKS IS TO REACH PRE-AGREEMENT ON NEW ARTICLE 53 OF SINGLE NEGOTIATING TEXT ON HIGHLY MIGRATORY SPECIES AND AN AGREEMENT IMPLEMENTING IT FOR THE EASTERN PACIFIC AND THAT AMBASSADOR-MOORE WILL FILL HIM IN ON THE DETAILS DURING THE UPCOMING GROUP OF 5 MEETING IN NEW YORK BEGINNING ON SEPTEMBER 15. KISSINGER

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